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KENTUCKY FARMERS EXPECTING GOOD CROPS

U.S. HIGHLIGHTS

Corn production was forecast at 10.4 billion bushels, unchanged from the last forecast, but up 10 percent from 1999. If realized, this would be the largest production on record.

Corn yields are expected to average 141.8 bushels per acre, down 0.1 bushel from August, but up 8.0 bushels from a year ago. This would be the highest yield on record.

Soybean production was forecast at a record high 2.90 billion bushels, down 3 percent from August 1, but 10 percent above 1999.

Soybean yields are expected to average 39.5 bushels per acre, down 1.2 bushels from last month, but 3.0 bushels above 1999.

Eight-State Burley Belt production was forecast at 411.7 million pounds, 3 percent above the August 1 forecast while 26 percent below last year.

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Crop growing conditions continue to be good and Kentucky farmers are expecting good to excellent yielding crops. Production of corn, soybeans and dark tobacco are larger than last year while burley production was down from last year due to a reduction in effective quota.

Production of **burley tobacco** was forecast at 256.3 million pounds, up 3 percent from the August estimate while down 33 percent from the 1999 crop. The production increase from August resulted from a larger estimated yield per acre. The September 1 estimate was down from 1999 due to a decrease in the effective quota that says how many pounds of tobacco a farmer can market. The estimated burley crop would be 23 percent larger than the effective quota of 208.7 million pounds. Yield per acre was estimated at 2,050 pounds per acre,

pounds per acre, up 50 pounds from the August estimate. This would be the largest yield per acre in 6 years. Harvest acreage was estimated at 125,000 acres, down 85,000 acres from the previous year. Tobacco harvesting was progressing well. Burley tobacco was 78 percent cut and housed as of September 10 with good to excellent yields reported. Curing was progressing nicely. Moisture has been adequate this summer with no widespread disease or insect problems.

Corn for grain production was forecast at 166.4 million bushels, up 10 percent from the August 1 estimate and 34 percent from the drought reduced 1999 crop. The increase in production resulted from an increase in forecast yield. The 2000 corn crop would be the largest since 1992. Yield per acre was estimated at 127 bushels per acre, up 12 bushels from the August 1 estimate and the largest yield in 6 years. Harvested acreage was estimated at 1.31 million acres, up 130,000 acres from the previous year. Weather had been favorable for corn development throughout the State. As of September 10, the corn crop was 75 percent mature and 21 percent harvested.

Soybean production was forecast at 38.9 million bushels, up 6 percent from the August 1 crop while up 61 percent from the small 1999 crop. The 2000 crop would be the largest soybean crop in 3 years. Yield was forecast at 36 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from August 1 and 15 bushels from the previous year. Harvested acreage for beans was estimated at 1.08 million acres, down 70,000 acres from 1999. Crop development has been behind last year's drought reduced crop while ahead of average with regard to soybeans turning yellow and shedding leaves. Weather conditions have been good for second crop soybean development with timely showers throughout most of August. Most producers expect good to excellent yields. Disease and insect problems have been minimal statewide. Sudden death syndrome is present in some fields and may have some impact on final production.

CROP PRODUCTION								
CROP SUMMARY, SEPTEMBER 1 KENTUCKY AND UNITED STATES, 1999 - 2000								
CROPS	UNIT	ACREAGE HARVESTED		YIELD PER ACRE		PRODUCTION		
		1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	
			Indicated		Indicated		Indicated	% of '99
		(Thousand)			(Thousand)			
KENTUCKY								
Corn for Grain	Bu.	1,180	1,310	105.0	127.0	123,900	166,370	134
Soybeans for Beans	Bu.	1,150	1,080	21.0	36.0	24,150	38,880	161
Tobacco:								
All	Lbs.	221.65	137.50	1,843	2,113	408,492	290,590	71
Burley	Lbs.	210.00	125.00	1,810	2,050	380,100	256,250	67
Type 22 E. Fired	Lbs.	3.75	4.00	2,350	2,650	8,813	10,600	120
Type 23 W. Fired	Lbs.	3.50	3.80	2,630	3,200	9,205	12,160	132
Type 35 One Sucker	Lbs.	2.85	3.00	2,370	2,500	6,755	7,500	111
Type 36 Green River	Lbs.	1.55	1.70	2,335	2,400	3,619	4,080	113
All Wheat <u>1</u> /	Bu.	410	420	60.0	56.0	24,600	23,520	96
UNITED STATES								
Corn for Grain	Bu.	70,537	73,059	133.8	141.8	9,437,337	10,362,374	110
Soybeans for Beans	Bu.	72,476	73,474	36.5	39.5	2,642,908	2,899,571	110
Sorghum for Grain	Bu.	8,544	8,315	69.7	62.1	595,166	516,028	87
Tobacco:								
All	Lbs.	647.16	492.24	1,997	2,220	1,292,692	1,092,907	85
Burley	Lbs.	303.60	201.00	1,829	2,048	555,185	411,717	74
Type 22 E. Fired	Lbs.	10.75	11.90	2,304	2,550	24,773	30,350	123
Type 23 W. Fired	Lbs.	4.07	4.43	2,612	3,172	10,630	14,050	132
Type 35 One Sucker	Lbs.	3.45	3.66	2,325	2,446	8,021	8,952	112
Type 36 Green River	Lbs.	1.55	1.70	2,335	2,400	3,619	4,080	113
All Wheat	Bu.	53,909	54,445	42.7	42.3	2,302,443	2,302,252	100

1/Estimates for current year carried forward from earlier forecast.

KENTUCKY COTTAGE CHEESE PRODUCTION 1997 - 1999 1/

PRODUCT	1997	1998	1999
(000) Pounds			
Cottage Cheese Curd	18,202	19,328	16,087
Creamed Cottage Cheese	15,270	17,835	19,103
Lowfat Cottage Cheese	9,042	9,130	8,996

1/Data on other types of dairy products not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

U.S. DAIRY PRODUCTS, JULY 2000

PRODUCT	July 1999	June 2000 <u>1</u> /	July 2000	Percent of July 1999 2000	June
(000) Pounds				Percent	
BUTTER	84,804	91,784	87,090	103	95
CHEESE					
American Types <u>2</u> /	299,376	310,625	323,325	108	104
Mozzarella	210,061	220,414	211,074	100	96
All Other Types <u>3</u> /	140,374	166,629	152,455	109	91
Total	649,811	697,668	686,854	106	98
(000) Gallons				Percent	
FROZEN PRODUCTS					
Ice Cream (Hard)	86,705	86,856	82,547	95	95
Frozen Yogurt (Total)	8,461	8,549	8,551	101	100
MIX FOR FROZEN PRODUCTS					
Ice Cream Mix	49,880	49,517	47,648	96	96
Yogurt Mix	5,191	5,029	5,030	97	100

1/Revised. 2/Includes Cheddar, Colby, Monterey, and Jack. 3/Includes Swiss, cream and all other types. Excludes cottage cheese.

KENTUCKY CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARM MARKETINGS, 1997 - 1999

COMMODITY	1997 <u>1/</u> CASH RECEIPTS (\$000)	1998 <u>1/</u> CASH RECEIPTS (\$000)	1999 <u>2/</u>		
			CASH RECEIPTS (\$000)	% OF TOTAL	% OF 1998
<u>LIVESTOCK PRODUCTS</u>	1,999,423	2,170,917	2,158,450	62.5	99
Cattle & Calves	644,633	613,585	550,699	15.9	90
Dairy Products	243,038	259,005	248,402	7.2	96
Hogs	142,486	89,304	77,692	2.2	87
Eggs	44,020	52,140	60,314	1.7	116
Broilers	184,149	332,906	363,266	10.5	109
Farm Chickens	248	1,272	1,325	--	104
Horses & Mules <u>3/</u>	710,000	790,000	830,000	24.0	105
Honey	266	210	186	--	89
Aquaculture	905	1,254	1,209	--	96
Other Livestock Products <u>4/</u>	29,678	31,241	25,357	0.7	81
<u>CROPS <u>5/</u></u>	1,564,720	1,602,532	1,297,699	37.5	81
Tobacco	730,380	924,086	737,048	21.3	80
Corn	290,267	244,760	234,748	6.8	96
Soybeans	307,711	237,228	144,472	4.2	61
Wheat	82,232	64,435	58,840	1.7	91
Barley	808	615	883	--	144
Hay	63,664	46,042	46,485	1.3	101
Sorghum Grain	2,122	1,043	901	--	86
Vegetables	8,700	9,220	8,760	0.3	95
Apples	1,512	2,745	2,053	0.1	75
Peaches	150	563	645	--	115
Other Fruits, Nuts & Berries	939	961	1,134	--	118
Floriculture	28,543	26,903	26,695	0.8	99
Nursery, Greenhouse & Sod	34,000	32,000	26,760	0.8	84
Other Crops <u>6/</u>	13,692	11,931	8,275	0.2	69
<u>ALL COMMODITIES</u>	3,564,143	3,773,449	3,456,149	100.0	92

-- Indicates less than .05%. Percent may not be accurate to .1 in last place because of method of machine computation. 1/Revised. 2/Preliminary. 3/Includes stud fees. 4/Includes other poultry, sheep and all other livestock. 5/Forest products not included in farm cash receipts, but are included in net farm income. 6/Includes sunflowers, other seeds, other field crops and mushrooms.

CASH RECEIPTS HIGHLIGHTS - 1999

Receipts from the sale of horses and broilers kept cash receipts above \$100 million for Fayette, Woodford, Bourbon, Jessamine and Graves counties during 1999. Sales of horses and stud fees accounted for most of the cash receipts for Fayette, Woodford, Bourbon and Jessamine counties while broilers were the largest source of cash receipts in Graves county. Thirteen other Kentucky counties showed cash receipts above \$50 million each for 1999.

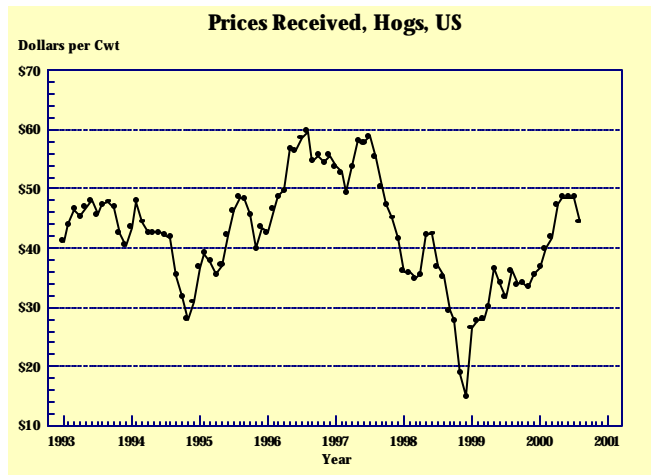
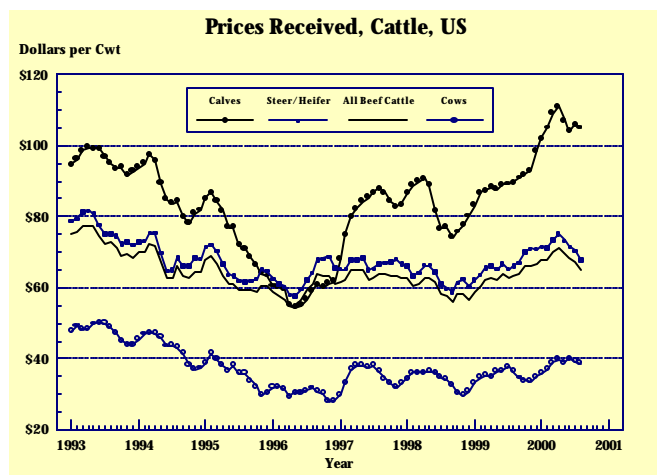
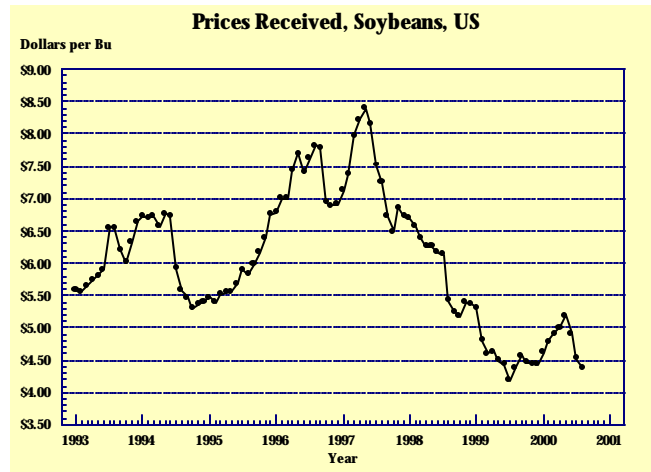
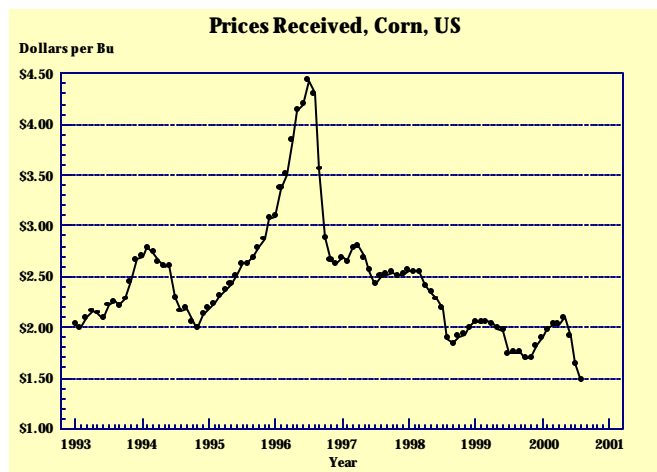
Sales of horses and stud fees were the largest source of cash receipts for Kentucky during 1999 with \$830 million, up 5 percent from 1998. Tobacco was second with sales of \$737 million. Cattle and calf sales were third and generated \$551 million during 1999. Broiler sales were fourth with \$363 million.

Tobacco sales accounted for 57 percent of total crop receipts, with corn generating 18 percent and soybeans 11 percent of the 1999 crop receipts.

Sales of horses and stud fees were 38 percent of the total receipts from livestock and livestock products during 1999. Cattle and calf sales made up 26 percent of livestock receipts, with sales of broilers accounting for 17 percent of the livestock total.

Top Cash Receipt Counties by Commodity - 1999

Tobacco	- Barren	Horses	- Fayette
Soybeans	- Union	Cattle	- Warren
Corn	- Union	Dairy	- Barren
Wheat	- Logan	Broilers	- Graves
All Hay	- Pulaski	Hogs	- Allen



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